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Senator Lou Correa
State Capitol, Room 5061
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: Support Senate Bill 1362 (Range Recycling)

Dear Senator Correa,

The state mandated regular training of law enforcement officers throughout the State of California is expensive and requires the use of specialized facilities.

Throughout the State of California the vast majority of training facilities used by state and local law enforcement agencies are owned and operated by civilians as recreational shooting ranges. This public/private facility use partnership is saving our state and local agencies tens of millions of dollars each year. The continued operation of these shooting ranges is essential for the ongoing training of current peace officers and training of new officers.

The current operations of private and state/locally owned and operated shooting ranges are being conducted using the Federal EPA's own interpretation of relevant hazardous waste laws. The changing of the current practices as envisioned by the interpretation of the current Health and Safety Code section 25113 would suddenly cost the training facilities millions of dollars. This would then force the closure of the facilities depriving the public and law enforcement agencies of critical facilities needed for training.

We support the provisions of Senate Bill 1362 to Health & Safety Code section 25113 that would clarify that the on-site movement of soil at an active outdoor shooting range for the purpose of recycling of expended ammunition products **does not** constitute "the disposal of hazardous waste."

The needed changes to the Health and Safety Code incorporated in Senate Bill 1362 will allow the continued operations of the critical range training facilities that all our agencies depend upon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stan Sniff", written over a horizontal line.

Sheriff Stan Sniff, Riverside County